

## 3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 1 December 2021

*The information contained in this report is based on recent updates and current information available at the time the report was finalized. It is not inclusive of all actions or measures taken to date by health officials federally, provincially, or locally.*

### COVID-19 CASE COUNTS

<b>STATUS OF CASES IN BC <sup>1</sup></b>	<b>As of Nov 30</b>	<b>As of Dec 1</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases in BC	218,426	218,801	<b>375*</b>
Total active cases in BC	2,889	2,936	<b>47</b>
Currently in intensive care	104	98	<b>-6</b>
Currently hospitalized	300	301	<b>1</b>
Total hospitalized to date	12,329	12,351	<b>22</b>
Total deaths in BC	2,333	2,340	<b>7</b>
Total recovered in BC	213,053	213,394	<b>341</b>
<b>CONFIRMED CASES BY BC REGION<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>As of Nov 30</b>	<b>As of Dec 1</b>	<b>Change</b>
Vancouver Coastal Health	44,977	45,047	<b>70</b>
Fraser Health	109,339	109,437	<b>98</b>
Island Health	12,712	12,788	<b>76</b>
Interior Health	33,519	33,588	<b>69</b>
Northern Health	17,580	17,642	<b>62</b>
Out of Canada	299	299	<b>0</b>
<b>STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>As of Nov 30</b>	<b>As of Dec 1</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases	1,514	1,519	<b>5</b>
Total active cases	59	61	<b>2</b>
Total deaths	13	13	<b>0</b>
Total recovered	1,458	1,448	<b>-10**</b>
<b>STATUS OF FN RESERVE CASES<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>As of Nov 29</b>	<b>As of Nov 30</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases	50,625	50,330	<b>-295***</b>
Total active cases	919	862	<b>-57</b>
Total hospitalized	2,346	2,346	<b>0</b>
Total deaths	543	543	<b>0</b>
Total recovered	48,803	48,925	<b>122</b>
Total confirmed cases in BC	6,045	6,065	<b>20</b>

\*The BC Government indicates that data for today is provisional and subject to change.

\*\*The Yukon has revised the count of total recovered cases to reflect a data revision.

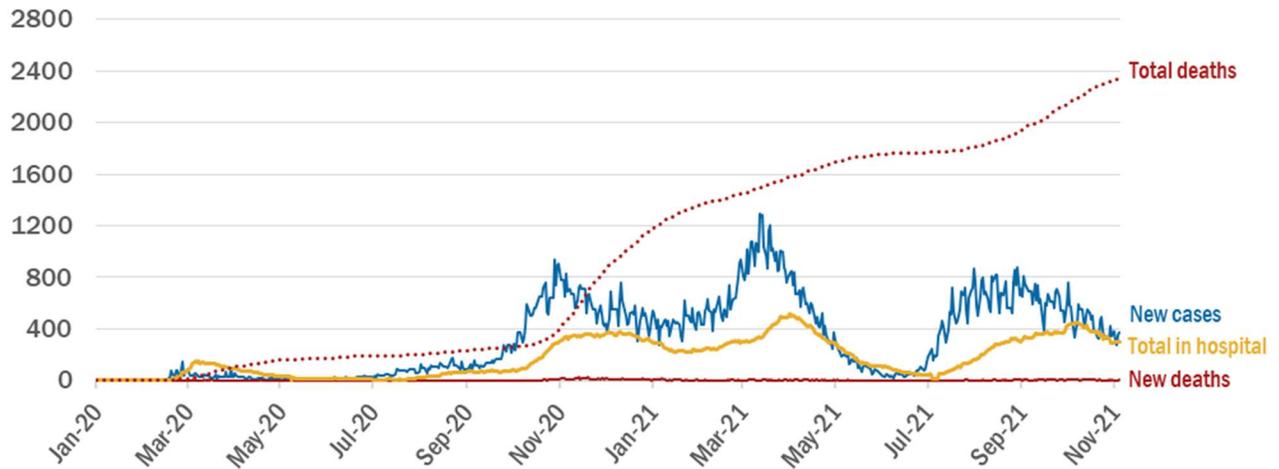
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<sup>1</sup> BCCDC COVID-19 Dashboard

<sup>2</sup> <https://yukon.ca/en/case-counts-covid-19>

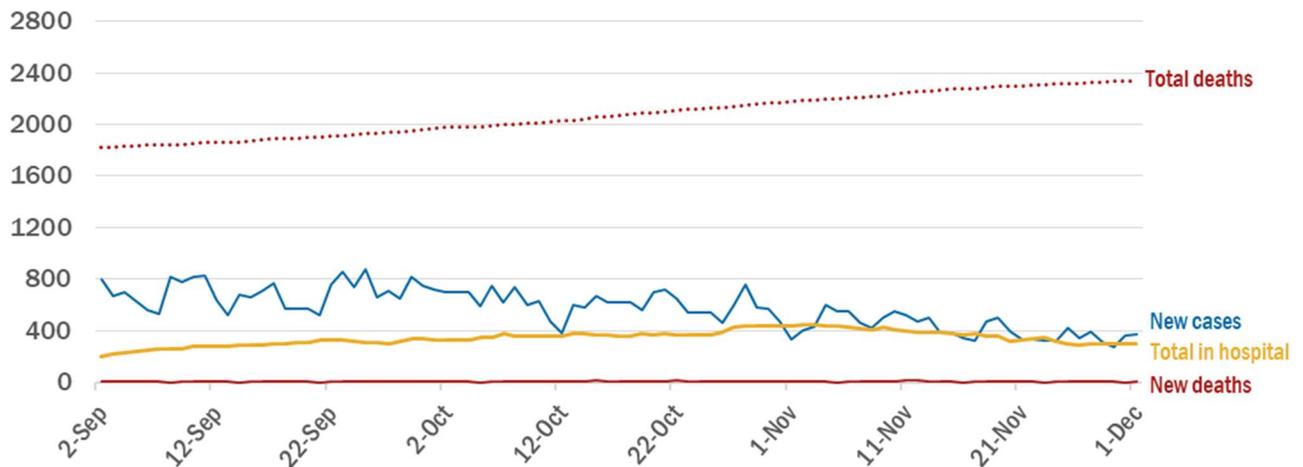
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### COVID-19 CASES AND DEATHS IN BC

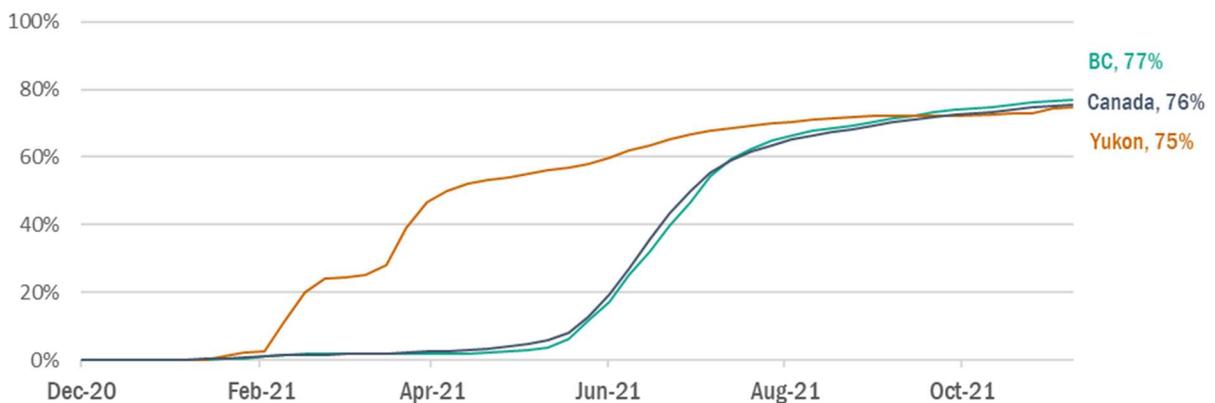


Note: Counts have been averaged where one number was reported for multi-day periods.

### COVID-19 CASES AND DEATHS IN BC – PAST THREE MONTHS



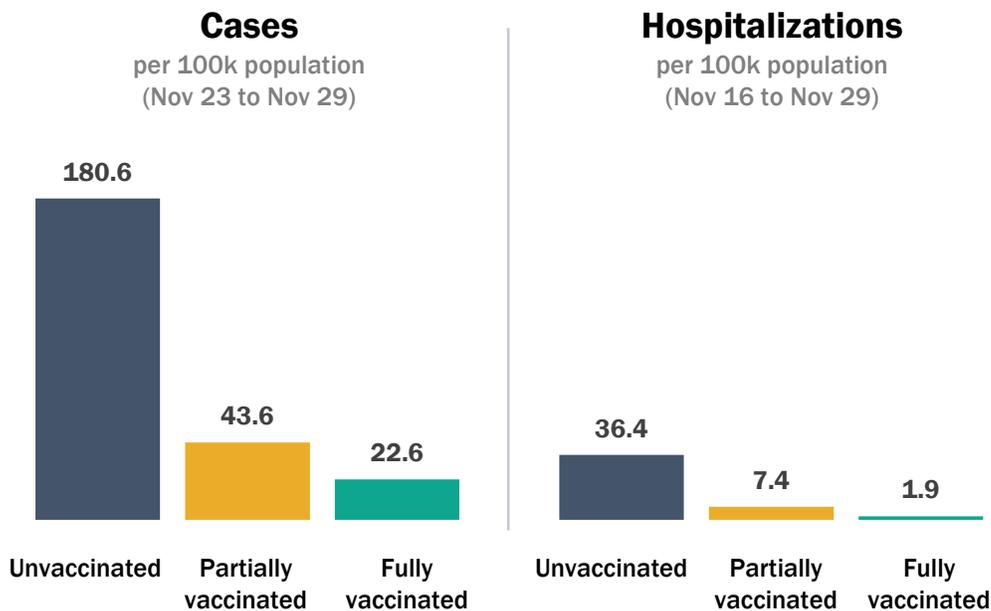
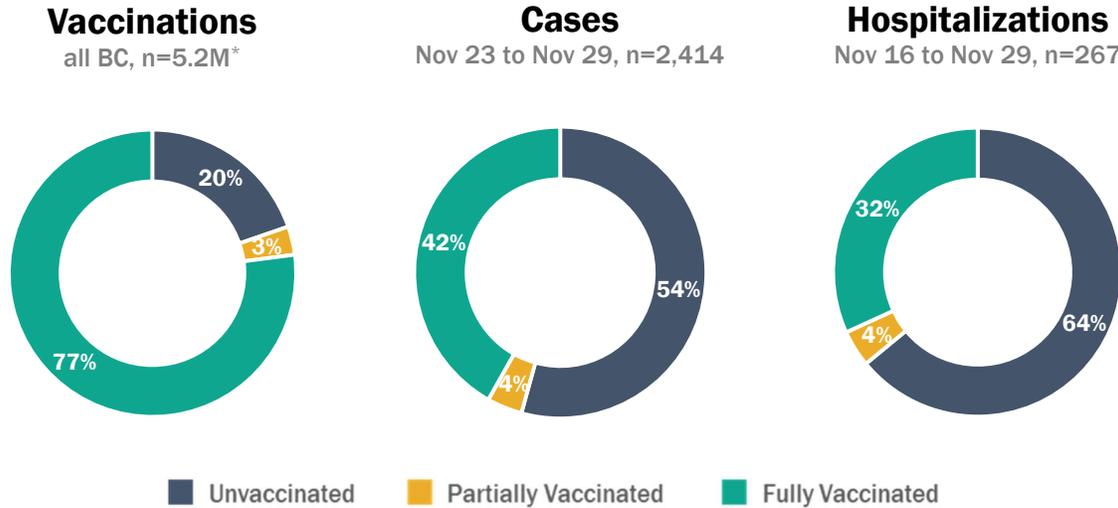
### CUMULATIVE % OF PEOPLE FULLY VACCINATED WITH A COVID-19 VACCINE<sup>4</sup>



<sup>4</sup> <https://health-infobase.canada.ca/covid-19/vaccination-coverage/>

## COVID-19 INFECTIONS IN B.C. BY VACCINATION STATUS

- From November 23 to November 29, 2021, people not fully vaccinated accounted for 58.2% of cases, and from November 16 to November 29, 2021, they accounted for 68.1% of hospitalizations.<sup>5,6</sup>



<sup>5</sup> <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/>

<sup>6</sup> As more people get vaccinated and there are fewer unvaccinated people, the % of cases among vaccinated people is expected to increase.

\* <https://health-infobase.canada.ca/covid-19/vaccination-coverage/>

## SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today, Northern Health (NH) has updated and revised the regional public health orders.<sup>7</sup> Details include the following:
  - “The NH regional Public Health Order on Gatherings and Events took effect at midnight (November 30, 2021), and includes updated measures for the entire NH region.”
  - “Changes to the order reflect the ongoing risk of COVID-19, rates of transmission, and the impact they continue to have on health care resources.”
    - “But gradual improvement in case counts and hospitalizations are allowing for some increased capacity at gathering and events, for those who are fully vaccinated.”
  - “The updated orders will be in effect until at least January 31, 2022, and allow for:
    - Up to 10 fully-vaccinated people gathering inside personal residences, and up to 25 outside (increased from 5, and 15),
    - Increasing capacity for indoor seated events, including weddings, funerals and theatre and performing arts events, to 50% of capacity venue (increased from 50-person cap) with proof of vaccination,
    - Increasing outdoor event capacity to 50% (increase from 100-person cap) with proof of vaccination,
    - Worship services allowed to be held as drive-in services, in addition to virtual options.”
  - “NH and provincial public health officials will continue to evaluate levels of COVID-19 activity and its ongoing impacts on the health care system, individuals, and communities, leading up to the revised order’s expiry in January.”
  - “Vaccination continues to be the best line of defence against COVID-19. There are ongoing vaccine clinic opportunities throughout the region, including for newly-eligible 5 to 11 year olds.”

## SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY

- Yesterday, the Government of Yukon announced a change to the COVID-19 vaccine verification ID requirements for youth.<sup>8</sup> Details include the following:
  - For youth under the age of 18, “government-issued identification that does not include a photograph, such as a birth certificate, may now be shown along with proof of vaccination for youth aged 12 to 17 to access designated settings.”
  - “This change was made to ensure that youth who not have government-issued photo identification are still able to access designated places.”
  - “Yukon citizens, including youth under the age of 18, can apply for a General Identification Card, which is government-issued photo ID, through the Motor Vehicles Office.”

**Note:** COVID-19 public exposure notices can be found at the following locations:

<https://bit.ly/NorthernHealthExposures> and <https://bit.ly/YukonExposures>

<sup>7</sup> <https://stories.northernhealth.ca/news/nh-regional-public-health-orders-revised>

<sup>8</sup> <https://yukon.ca/en/news/covid-19-vaccine-verification-id-requirements-changed-youth>

## SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) announced that the first case of SARS-CoV-2 has been detected in Canadian wildlife.<sup>9</sup> Details include the following:
  - “Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC), the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), the Public Health Agency of Canada, Parks Canada, provincial and territorial governments, Canadian Wildlife Health Cooperative (CWHC), and academic partners have been proactively engaged in research to investigate whether SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, has spilled into wildlife.”
  - “While there is limited information on animals and COVID-19, the virus has infected multiple species of animals globally, including farmed mink, companion animals (e.g., cats, dogs, ferrets), and zoo animals (e.g., tigers, lions, gorillas, cougars, otters, and others).”
  - “Recent reports in the United States have revealed evidence of spillover of SARS-CoV-2 from humans to wild white-tailed deer, with subsequent spread of the virus among deer. There has been no known transmission of SARS-CoV-2 from deer to humans at this time.”
  - “On November 29, 2021, the National Centre for Foreign Animal Disease (CFIA) confirmed the first detections of SARS-CoV-2 in three free-ranging white-tailed deer in Canada.”
    - “These deer were sampled between November 6 to 8, 2021, in the Estrie region of Quebec.”
    - “Samples for SARS-CoV-2 were collected through a big game registration station in southern Quebec.”
    - “Similar to findings in the United States, the deer showed no evidence of clinical signs of disease, and were all apparently healthy.”
  - “As this is the first detection of SARS-CoV-2 in wildlife in Canada, information on the impacts and spread of the virus in wild deer populations is currently limited.”
  - “This finding emphasizes the importance of ongoing surveillance for SARS-CoV-2 in wildlife to increase our understanding about SARS-CoV-2 on the human-animal interface.”
  - “COVID-19 remains largely a disease of human concern and typically spreads from human to human.”
    - “Until more is known and as an added precaution, it is recommended that you wear a well-fitting mask when exposed to respiratory tissues and fluids from deer, practice good hand hygiene, and avoid splashing/spraying fluids from these tissues as much as possible.”

This summary was compiled by [CCEM Strategies Ltd.](#) at the request of the 3 Nations Society.

<sup>9</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/news/2021/12/first-case-of-sars-cov-2-detected-in-canadian-wildlife.html>